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Foreword

It is January 1961 and time to write my Iris Catalog. We have two feet of snow here in Barre, while at Westport, Mass., where my Iris Garden is located, there was no snow a few days ago when I drove down to look it over. The covering of old hay was on the Iris and had not blown off much. The Iris looked all right so far. Most winter injury comes in March when there is freezing and thawing and heaving-out unless the Iris is well covered.

Last summer and fall I had 28 or more new reblooming Iris seedlings bloom or send up stalks for the first time. I selected five to name, two from these 28 and three from seedlings which had rebloomed in former years. Summer Date was the most outstanding but there isn't enough to introduce it. Summer Whitewings is a pure, super white and will sell a few. Summer Sprite, Summer Blue and Fall Bluebird are the other new introductions and have more of them to sell. I have reduced the list price on most previous introductions so hope for your orders and will include generous extras with your order.

1961 Introductions

1. **Summer Whitewings—\$15.00** — (Autumn Twilight x Fall Primrose) (Fair Day) — standards—Purest White closed—Falls—Purest White, slight flare, no veins. Orange Beard—slight fragrance. Stalk 30 inches — 3 branches — 7 buds. Flowers opened first on one stalk August 20th last summer. There were two stalks in September and October. A fourth stalk started October 15th was bloomed in the house in November. Just a few for sale.
2. **Summer Sprite** (Tinted Porcelain x Fall Primrose)—**\$10.00** — S-closed, F-slight flare, light blue self almost white. Yellow beard—Stalk 28 inches—3 branches an intermediate rebloomer. Rebloomed in August.
3. **Summer Blue—\$10.00** — (Harvest Blue x Autumn Twilight)—S-closed, light blue—Falls slight flare, a shade deeper blue. Few brown veins base of falls. Reblooms in August. Stalk 30 inches, 3 branches.
4. **Fall Bluebird—\$10.00** — (Fall Fairy x Menomenee)—S-light blue closed, F a shade deeper color, slight flare—waved. Reblooms in September. Stalk 27 inches—3 branches—an intermediate rebloomer.

1960 Introductions

1. **September Sailor — \$8.00** — (October Shadows x Mount Timp) x Menomenee—

S-medium blue—closed F, wide flare with a deeper blue band across the falls and lighter blue at base and tip of falls. Stalk 30 inches — 3 branches, 11 buds — sweet fragrance. Every sizeable rhizome reblooms in September here.

2. **Fall Serenade—\$8.00** — (October Shadows x Mount Timp) x (Menomenee) — S-closed, medium Blue Falls, F Red Purple wide flare, wide hafts—best substance of any of my rebloomers. Stalk 30 inches—3 branches — 9 buds. Reblooms in September here.
3. **September Gleam — \$8.00** — (October Shadows x Fall Primrose) A greenish yellow Iris. S. Clear greenish yellow, Closed F slightly deeper color, slight flare. Fragrant. Stalk 30 inches—9 buds. Reblooms in September here.
4. **Fall Melolight — \$8.00** — (Reveille x Autumn Twilight) x Cherie. S. Closed. Clear light yellow. F wide flare, same color as standards. Orange beard. Stalk 24 inches —3 branches — 5 buds. Reblooms in October. Fine form and substance.

1959 Introductions

1. **September Cream — \$8.00** — (Fall Primrose x Double Date) S-closed, light yellow, F, slight flare, light yellow, stalk—32 inches — 3 branches — 10 buds. September rebloomer.
2. **October Beauty — \$8.00** — (Halloween Night x Autumn Twilight) (Autumn Twilight) — S-bronze yellow, closed F, same color with bronze veins to tip of orange beard — Stalk — 30 inches — 4 branches —14 buds. A September rebloomer. A fine grower and bloomer.

1958 Introductions

1. **Fall Fairy — \$3.00** — S-pale lavender, closed F, slightly deeper color. September rebloomer. (Evelyn Pullar x October Shadows).
2. **Sea Orchid — \$4.00** — Not a rebloomer but an Intermediate Border Iris. (Autumn Twilight x Captain Wells). (Autumn Twilight x Tinted Porcelain) S-closed, waved lavender and cream falls deeper color, slight flare. Brown veins base of falls. Heavy substance, wide. Stalk 26 inches—4 wide branches — 7 buds. A nice one.
3. **Chartreuse Chalice — \$12.00** — (Tinted Porcelain x New Horizon) — Not a rebloomer. S-addressed, Falls wide flare—A Chartreuse self. Fine substance. Stalk—34 inches — 3 wide branches — 7 buds—orange beard. A fine Iris.

1957 Introductions

1. **August Indian — \$4.00 —** (Autumn Twilight x Pottawatomi) Stalk 22 inches— 3 branches — 6 buds — Standards closed —Reddish brown color. F—slight flare, red purple. Rebloomed from July to October last summer on successive stalks.
2. **September Contrast — \$5.00 —** (Fair Day x October Shadows) Closed S light blue —F darger blue, slight flare—Stalk 27 inches — 3 branches — 7 buds. August and September rebloomer.
3. **September Pastel — \$4.00 —** (October Shodaws x Fall Fairy) S-closed, pale lavender, F slight flare, a shade darker. A few brown veins base of falls. Reblooms August till frost. Stalk 24 inches— 3 wide branches, well spaced, lowest near ground like an aphylla — 9 buds — sweet fragrance. A fine grower and bloomer.

1956 Introductions

1. **Fall Primrose — \$4.00 —** (Autumn Twilight x Redwyne) — Stalk 30 inches — 4 branches — 8 buds — S closed — F slight flare — S-primrose yellow, F-same color with white area at tip of beard. Rebloom starts in August and continues till frost. One of my best rebloomers.
2. **Autumn Bronze — \$2.00 —** (Autumn Twilight x Western Hills) Standards light brown, closed Falls red brown, slight flare —Orange beard — Stalk 34 inches — 4 branches—12 buds. My tallest rebloomer. Reblooms September till frost. A fine grower and bloomer.
3. **Summer Surprise—\$1.00—**(Autumn Twilight x Halloween Night) — Stalk 34 inches — 5 branches — 20 buds. Standards Ecrue closed F. lavender pink. It reblooms in August and September, but not as freely as my other rebloomers. Sets seeds easily.

1955 Introductions

1. **Autumn Afternoon — \$1.00 —** (Sally Ann x Autumn Twilight) Standards closed — Apricot yellow — F pink lavender — Slight flare. Reblooms early in August till frost.
2. **Autumn Snowdrift — \$1.00 —** (Tinted Porcelain x Autumn Twilight x Glowport) —Standards — Pure white addressed F slight flare — white with few pale lavender veins — stalks 30 inches — 3 wide branches — 7 buds. Reblooms in September here. Sets seeds easily. Fine quality flower.

GENERAL LIST OF MY REBLOOMERS

1. **Autumn Twilight** — \$1.00 — S. Brownish Yellow, F light Lavender and Yellow Summer rebloomer — Stalk 33 inches — 3 branches — 12 buds.
2. **Autumn Elf** — \$.75 — S. Cream closed, F pale Lavender flaring — Summer rebloomer — Stalk 18 inches — 3 branches.
3. **Barre Beauty** — \$1.00 — September Sparkler x ? S. Closed light Lavender Blue — F same color — Stalk 24 inches — 3 branches. Reblooms in summer.
4. **August Waves** — \$.75 — S. Blue Lavender, F flare deeper Blue — Summer rebloomer. Stalk 22 inches — 3 branches.
5. **October Shadows** — \$.75 — S. pale Lavender, F light Brown Lavender. Summer rebloomer. Stalk 34 inches.
6. **September Sparkler** — \$.75. — Light Blue self — Reblooms in September.
7. **Fall Violet** — \$.75 — S. light Lavender — F Violet. September rebloomer. Stalk 30 inches.
8. **Harvest Blue** — \$.75 — S. deep Blue — F. shade darker — wide flare — September rebloomer.
9. **Tinted Porcelain** — \$1.00 — Not a rebloomer — H.M. — 1955 — S.-closed — F flare — A delicate Lavender self.

Terms: Cash with order. Iris shipped July 15th to October 1st. It costs about \$...75 per average order for postage so enclose something for postage on orders less than \$5.00. I send a letter describing how to grow rebloomers for best results, with each order. Will include generous extras with your orders.

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